

# MEDICINE GROUND RULES

1. **GENERAL:** Visits, examinations, consultations and similar services listed in this section reflect the variation in time and skills required in the diagnosis and treatment of illness or injury. The stipulated Unit Value applies only when the services are performed by or under the responsibility and direct supervision of a health care provider, unless otherwise stated.
2. **UNLISTED SERVICE OR PROCEDURE:** When an unlisted service or procedure is performed, the procedure should be identified and the amount charged substantiated "by report" (BR). Unlisted service or procedure codes usually end in "99."
3. **PROCEDURES LISTED WITHOUT SPECIFIED MAXIMUM ALLOWANCE:** "BR" in the Unit Value column indicates that the amount charged for this service is to be determined "by report" because the service is too unusual or variable to be assigned a Unit Value. Pertinent information should be furnished concerning the nature, extent, and need for the procedure or service, the time, skill, and equipment necessary, etc.
4. **MATERIALS SUPPLIED BY HEALTH CARE PROVIDER:** Supplies and materials provided by the health care provider (e.g., sterile trays, drugs) over and above those usually included with the office visit or other services rendered may be listed separately. The statement of charges will need to reflect any drugs, trays, supplies, and materials that were provided. Payment shall not exceed the cost of the item(s) to the health care provider plus 25%, or the cost of the item(s) plus \$15.00 per item, **whichever is less**. Use procedure code 99070.
5. **SEPARATE PROCEDURES:** Some of the procedures or services listed are commonly carried out as an integral part of a total service and identified by the inclusion of the term "separate procedure." The codes designated as "separate procedure" should not be reported in addition to the code for the total procedure or service of which it is considered an integral component.

However, when a procedure or service that is designated as a "separate procedure" is carried out independently or considered to be unrelated or distinct from other procedures/services at that time, it may be reported by itself, or in addition to other procedures/services by appending modifier -59 to the specific "separate procedure" code to indicate that the procedure is not considered to be a component of another procedure, but is a distinct, independent procedure. This may represent a different session or patient encounter, different procedure or surgery, different site or organ system, separate incision/excision, separate lesion, or separate injury (or area of injury in extensive injuries).
6. **MULTIPLE PROCEDURES:** It is appropriate to designate multiple procedures that are rendered on the same day by separate entries. Use modifier -51 to reflect multiple procedures except for the Add-On Codes.
7. **ADD-ON CODES:** Certain codes, by the nature of their description and the unit values assigned, have already been reduced, as they are not to be billed as primary procedures. For a complete list of the codes which are considered to be add-on codes, refer to the appropriate appendix found within the most recent publication of the **AMA Current Procedural Terminology (CPT)**.
8. **CODES THAT ARE NOT CLASSIFIED AS ADD-ON CODES BUT ARE EXEMPT FROM THE MULTIPLE PROCEDURE RULE / MODIFIER -51:** For a complete list of the codes which fall within this category, refer to the appropriate appendix found within the most recent publication of the **AMA Current Procedural Terminology (CPT)**.
9. **CONCURRENT CARE:** When the condition of the patient requires the skills of two or more health care providers to treat different conditions, payment is due each health care provider who plays an active role in the treatment program. The services rendered by each health care provider shall be distinct, identifiable, and adequately documented in the records and reports.

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10. **ALTERNATING HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS:** When health care providers of similar skills alternate in the care of a patient (e.g., partners, groups of same facility, covering providers on weekends or vacation periods), each health care provider shall charge individually for the services personally rendered and such charges shall be in accordance with this Fee Schedule.
11. **PRORATION OF SCHEDULED FEE:** Where the schedule specifies a unit value for a definite treatment, and the patient is transferred from one health care provider to another, the unit value multiplied by the conversion factor or the usual and customary charge, whichever is less, should be apportioned between or among the providers. The providers involved shall agree upon the amount of proration, and shall render separate bills accordingly, with an explanatory note.
12. **MISCELLANEOUS:** The Unit Values for other diagnostic therapeutics, anesthesia, surgery, x-rays, and laboratory procedures are listed in the following sections: Anesthesia, Surgery, Radiology, Pathology and Laboratory, Medicine, and Evaluation and Management.
13. **CONSULTATIONS AND REFERRALS:** A **consultation** is a service rendered by a specialist at the request of the attending health care provider or other appropriate source seeking further evaluation or an opinion on how to proceed in the management of a patient's illness. Consultations always require a narrative report from the consultant to the attending health care provider requesting the opinion. The fee payable should correspond appropriately to the level of service. When the consulting specialist assumes responsibility for the continuing care of the patient, any service rendered subsequent to the consultation will be reimbursed according to the actual level of service rendered, as listed under the appropriate subsection headings (e.g., office or hospital visits).

A **referral** is the transfer of a patient to a specialist for diagnosis, and where necessary, treatment of a specific illness or injury, rather than for advice. A referral will be reimbursed according to the actual level of services rendered, as listed under the appropriate subsection headings (e.g., office or hospital visits).

14. **LIMITATIONS ON PATIENT VISITS FOR PSYCHOTHERAPY OR PSYCHOLOGICAL COUNSELING:** Psychotherapy or Psychological counseling, for work-related conditions requiring either more than 21 visits or continuing for more than 3 months after initiation of therapy, whichever comes first, requires prior authorization from the employer, insurance carrier, the Workers Compensation Fund, or the Kansas Division of Workers Compensation, unless such authorization was previously received for a greater number of visits.
15. **PROFESSIONAL/TECHNICAL COMPONENTS:** When the professional and technical components are furnished by different providers (**inclusive of hospitals and ambulatory surgical centers**), the professional component and the technical component shall be identified by adding either modifier -26 or modifier -TC to the usual procedure number. If any of the medical procedures in this section become subject to either the professional or technical component, the unit value for the professional component is 60% of the total unit value, and the unit value for the technical component is 40% of the total unit value for the procedure code submitted. See Appendix A- Modifiers for a listing of the modifiers.

Additionally, and with the exception of Pathology and Laboratory, hospitals and ambulatory surgical centers will continue to be reimbursed at their usual and customary charge less the specified discount as contained within the Hospital/Ambulatory Surgical Center Section of the fee schedule. However, hospitals and ambulatory surgical centers need to amend their billing process to specify, by use of modifiers, when only the technical component or the professional component was provided.

16. **FAILURE OF PATIENT TO KEEP A SCHEDULED APPOINTMENT:** In the event a patient fails to keep a scheduled appointment, the health care provider is not to bill for any services that would have been provided by said appointment nor shall there be any reimbursement for such scheduled services (i.e., reimbursement for a "no show" appointment is not allowed). This rule does not apply with regard to a deposition, testimony, or IME.

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17. **MODIFIERS:** Procedure codes for medicine services may be modified under certain circumstances. The circumstances are to be identified by the addition of a hyphen and the appropriate two-digit modifier code. Refer to Appendix A - Modifiers for a list of modifiers that may be used.
18. **COST CONTAINMENT:** Nothing in this section shall preclude an employer (or insurance carrier) from entering into payment agreements to promote the continuity of care and the reduction of health care costs. Such payment agreements, if less, will supersede the limitation amounts specified herein. Please refer to K.S.A. 44-510i(e) for further clarification, if necessary.

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CODE	UNIT VALUE	CODE	UNIT VALUE	CODE	UNIT VALUE
90281	BR	90693	BR	90812	2.81
90283	BR	90698	BR	90813	2.95
90287	BR	90700	0.60	90814	4.07
90288	BR	90701	BR	90815	4.19
90291	BR	90702	0.28	90816	1.74
90296	BR	90703	0.31	90817	1.91
90371	BR	90704	0.50	90818	2.63
90375	3.35	90705	0.41	90819	2.75
90376	2.80	90706	0.44	90821	3.91
90378	BR	90707	0.98	90822	4.02
90379	BR	90708	BR	90823	1.87
90384	2.43	90710	BR	90824	2.05
90385	1.47	90712	BR	90826	2.78
90386	BR	90713	0.78	90827	2.89
90389	3.28	90715	BR	90828	4.07
90393	BR	90716	1.82	90829	4.16
90396	BR	90717	1.85	90845	2.41
90399	BR	90718	0.28	90846	2.53
90465	0.49	90719	BR	90847	3.08
90466	0.29	90720	1.06	90849	0.88
90467	0.51	90721	1.39	90853	0.86
90468	0.51	90723	1.78	90857	0.94
90471	0.49	90725	BR	90862	1.37
90472	0.29	90727	BR	90865	4.31
90473	0.44	90732	0.38	90870	3.86
90474	0.44	90733	2.04	90871	3.86
90476	BR	90734	BR	90875	2.14
90477	BR	90735	2.02	90876	3.11
90581	2.84	90740	5.67	90880	3.29
90585	4.58	90743	0.80	90882	2.35
90586	4.79	90744	0.80	90885	1.36
90632	1.81	90746	1.81	90887	2.34
90633	0.84	90747	5.67	90889	2.03
90634	0.84	90748	1.46	90899	BR
90636	2.00	90749	BR	90901	1.08
90645	0.75	90780	2.39	90911	2.50
90646	BR	90781	0.67	90918	17.63
90647	0.67	90782	0.50	90919	12.82
90648	0.68	90783	0.50	90920	11.24
90655	0.32	90784	1.01	90921	7.04
90656	0.32	90788	0.44	90922	0.59
90657	0.23	90799	BR	90923	0.42
90658	0.23	90801	4.04	90924	0.37
90660	BR	90802	4.29	90925	0.24
90665	BR	90804	1.73	90935	1.93
90669	1.57	90805	1.90	90937	3.15
90675	4.13	90806	2.61	90939	2.14
90676	BR	90807	2.77	90940	2.14
90680	BR	90808	3.89	90945	2.01
90690	0.87	90809	4.03	90947	3.22
90691	1.21	90810	1.87	90989	13.94
90692	BR	90811	2.09	90993	2.35

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91034	6.33
91035	12.51
91037	4.02
91038	3.44
91040	12.22
91052	3.30
91055	3.95
91060	2.46
91065	1.69
91100	3.94
91105	2.50
91110	25.98
91120	12.06
91122	7.07
91123	BR
91132	1.12
91133	1.41
91299	BR
92002	1.87
92004	3.41
92012	1.72
92014	2.54
92015	1.88
92018	3.64
92019	1.90
92020	0.72
92060	1.45
92065	0.92
92070	1.79
92081	1.32
92082	1.69
92083	1.95
92100	2.29
92120	1.90
92130	2.11
92135	1.16
92136	2.27
92140	1.50
92225	0.61
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92230	2.15
92235	3.50
92240	7.29
92250	1.99

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92284	2.14
92285	1.21
92286	3.75
92287	3.21
92310	2.33
92311	2.20
92312	2.37
92313	2.00
92314	1.64
92315	1.31
92316	1.61
92317	1.40
92325	0.41
92326	1.69
92330	2.10
92335	1.36
92340	1.08
92341	1.22
92342	1.30
92352	1.06
92353	1.25
92354	8.96
92355	4.34
92358	1.02
92370	0.89
92371	0.64
92390	BR
92391	BR
92392	3.81
92393	12.33
92395	1.38
92396	2.23
92499	BR
92502	2.67
92504	0.69
92506	3.48
92507	1.65
92508	0.78
92510	3.65
92511	4.18
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92516	1.64
92520	1.30
92526	2.21
92531	0.62
92532	0.72
92533	1.14

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92544	1.19
92545	1.06
92546	2.30
92547	0.14
92548	2.90
92551	0.29
92552	0.48
92553	0.72
92555	0.42
92556	0.63
92557	1.31
92559	0.94
92560	0.55
92561	0.78
92562	0.45
92563	0.42
92564	0.52
92565	0.44
92567	0.58
92568	0.42
92569	0.45
92571	0.43
92572	0.10
92573	0.39
92575	0.32
92576	0.49
92577	0.79
92579	0.79
92582	0.79
92583	0.97
92584	2.68
92585	2.73
92586	1.99
92587	1.62
92588	2.13
92590	1.12
92591	1.68
92592	0.49
92593	0.74
92594	0.54
92595	0.81
92596	0.65
92597	2.58
92601	3.57
92602	2.45
92603	2.21
92604	1.42
92605	BR

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92606	BR	93040	0.38	93541	0.41
92607	3.13	93041	0.16	93542	0.41
92608	0.60	93042	0.22	93543	0.41
92609	1.63	93224	4.37	93544	0.36
92610	3.51	93225	1.32	93545	0.57
92611	3.51	93226	2.32	93555	7.77
92612	4.05	93227	0.73	93556	11.58
92613	1.16	93230	4.67	93561	1.27
92614	3.81	93231	1.63	93562	0.58
92615	1.03	93232	2.31	93571	7.34
92616	5.33	93233	0.73	93572	4.41
92617	1.28	93235	3.39	93580	26.60
92620	1.20	93236	2.76	93581	35.47
92621	0.31	93237	0.63	93600	5.19
92625	1.18	93268	8.24	93602	4.29
92700	BR	93270	1.32	93603	4.90
92950	8.25	93271	6.19	93609	10.18
92953	0.32	93272	0.73	93610	5.88
92960	8.64	93278	1.62	93612	6.15
92961	6.96	93303	5.91	93613	10.23
92970	4.76	93304	3.13	93615	1.63
92971	2.68	93307	5.39	93616	2.35
92973	4.80	93308	2.82	93618	10.26
92974	4.39	93312	7.14	93619	18.90
92975	10.28	93313	1.22	93620	30.53
92977	8.51	93314	5.84	93621	5.44
92978	7.37	93315	8.67	93622	8.02
92979	4.48	93316	1.24	93623	7.37
92980	21.35	93317	6.45	93624	9.25
92981	5.92	93318	6.27	93631	18.00
92982	15.84	93320	2.37	93640	12.58
92984	4.22	93321	1.41	93641	16.02
92986	34.30	93325	3.22	93642	14.84
92987	35.60	93350	3.99	93650	15.65
92990	27.89	93501	22.33	93651	23.67
92992	31.02	93503	3.79	93652	25.75
92993	21.74	93505	8.51	93660	4.39
92995	17.42	93508	19.70	93662	7.27
92996	4.63	93510	46.04	93668	1.40
92997	17.26	93511	46.01	93701	1.17
92998	8.47	93514	48.85	93720	1.00
93000	0.71	93524	60.52	93721	0.77
93005	0.47	93526	60.51	93722	0.23
93010	0.24	93527	61.01	93724	11.15
93012	6.19	93528	63.57	93727	0.74
93014	0.73	93529	57.32	93731	1.17
93015	2.85	93530	24.39	93732	1.85
93016	0.64	93531	63.81	93733	1.04
93017	1.79	93532	64.86	93734	0.91
93018	0.42	93533	59.87	93735	1.53
93024	2.87	93539	0.57	93736	0.91
93025	8.48	93540	0.61	93740	0.37

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93741	1.85
93742	2.01
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93744	2.39
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93784	1.96
93786	0.92
93788	0.52
93790	0.52
93797	0.49
93798	0.75
93799	BR
93875	2.67
93880	6.54
93882	4.16
93886	8.13
93888	5.18
93890	6.35
93892	6.76
93893	6.63
93922	3.08
93923	4.74
93924	5.59
93925	7.75
93926	4.71
93930	6.22
93931	4.06
93965	3.28
93970	6.38
93971	4.34
93975	9.99
93976	5.90
93978	5.59
93979	3.92
93980	4.52
93981	3.64
93990	4.50
94010	0.87
94014	1.31
94015	0.60
94016	0.71
94060	1.45
94070	1.55
94150	0.56
94200	0.58
94240	0.98
94250	0.77
94260	0.76
94350	1.07

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94370	1.01
94375	0.94
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94450	1.29
94452	1.37
94453	1.95
94620	3.26
94621	3.78
94640	0.32
94642	1.58
94656	2.45
94657	1.85
94660	1.45
94662	1.02
94664	0.35
94667	0.57
94668	0.47
94680	2.19
94681	2.85
94690	2.11
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94725	3.30
94750	1.62
94760	0.06
94761	0.13
94762	0.57
94770	0.98
94772	BR
94799	BR
95004	0.11
95010	0.48
95015	0.30
95024	0.16
95027	0.16
95028	0.24
95044	0.21
95052	0.26
95056	0.18
95060	0.37
95065	0.21
95070	2.30
95071	2.94
95075	1.80
95078	0.27
95115	0.41
95117	0.52
95120	0.51
95125	0.63
95130	0.88
95131	1.12
95132	1.35

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95134	1.95
95144	0.26
95145	0.39
95146	0.51
95147	0.49
95148	0.65
95149	0.87
95165	0.26
95170	0.20
95180	4.09
95199	BR
95250	4.11
95805	19.57
95806	5.37
95807	14.01
95808	16.39
95810	21.60
95811	23.59
95812	5.28
95813	6.96
95816	4.95
95819	4.22
95822	5.87
95824	2.72
95827	3.97
95829	37.70
95830	5.10
95831	0.75
95832	0.64
95833	1.07
95834	1.26
95851	0.53
95852	0.38
95857	1.15
95858	2.75
95860	2.45
95861	3.09
95863	3.76
95864	4.86
95867	1.79
95868	2.50
95869	0.78
95870	0.78
95872	2.86
95875	2.66
95900	1.72
95903	1.84
95904	1.47
95920	4.58
95921	1.67
95922	1.81

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95928	4.61	96410	4.41
95929	4.80	96412	0.98
95930	2.62	96414	5.47
95933	1.71	96420	2.90
95934	0.98	96422	5.08
95936	1.05	96423	2.07
95937	1.35	96425	4.72
95950	5.95	96440	10.46
95951	22.18	96445	10.37
95953	11.30	96450	8.92
95954	6.86	96520	4.03
95955	3.56	96530	2.91
95956	19.08	96542	5.72
95957	4.76	96545	BR
95958	8.09	96549	BR
95961	6.14	96567	1.00
95962	6.30	96570	1.58
95965	59.30	96571	0.77
95966	29.45	96900	0.46
95967	24.10	96902	0.60
95970	1.33	96910	1.03
95971	1.53	96912	1.31
95972	2.85	96913	1.78
95973	1.61	96920	3.71
95974	4.87	96921	3.80
95975	2.71	96922	5.63
95978	5.61	96999	BR
95979	2.59		
95990	1.56		
95991	2.29		
95999	BR		
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96001	2.91		
96002	0.58		
96003	0.51		
96004	3.19		
96100	1.94		
96105	1.94		
96110	0.36		
96111	3.83		
96115	1.94		
96117	1.94		
96150	0.69		
96151	0.67		
96152	0.64		
96153	0.15		
96154	0.63		
96155	0.64		